



WOODSTOCK, VIRGINIA.

FRIDAY, DEC. 3, 1897.

W. Seymour White.

In the death of W. Seymour White, mayor of Fredericksburg, the loss is not confined to that city, but the state of Virginia has suffered a great loss. Mr. White was Editor of the Fredericksburg Star and President of the Virginia Press Association. He was a lawyer of ability. He prosecuted Searcy and Morganfield the train robbers. It was by his determined and able efforts that Morganfield was extradited by the State of Ohio. He was a kind and genial friend and affectionate husband. In her sad affliction, his bereaved wife has the heartfelt sympathy of every member of the Virginia Press Association as well as that of a large host of friends throughout the state.

"Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." Some of the wealthy admirers of President McKinley propose to make a life size statue in gold of President McKinley and send it to the Paris exhibition. If it should be done there are plenty of politicians who would hark upon the "golden calf" and the effect would prove disastrous to both President McKinley and his party.

The New York Herald joins in the fight against the present pension inquiry. Among other facts presented by the Herald are these: "The fees for examining surgeons and expenses for dispensing the moneys have amounted to \$72,000,000, and the pensions distributed reach the astonishing total of more than \$2,107,000,000. As we get further away from the period of the war, the pension list, instead of dwindling, is increased in a geometrical ratio. The \$15,000,000 of 1866 has grown to \$140,000,000 in 1896, and is still swelling."

Some good advice to publishers is given by Mr. E. O. Ross in the Angola, Ind., Magnet. He says: "Admit nothing that you would hesitate to have read aloud in your own family. If you are uncertain as to the advisability of publishing any particular thing, give your family the benefit of the doubt and exclude it."

**Many New Stars Revealed.**  
Barnes, Mass., Nov. 28.—Dr. T. J. J. See, who has had charge of the Lowell observatory at Flagstaff, Arizona, established and maintained by Percival Lowell, is in Boston. He gave today an account of his recent discoveries through the 24 inch telescope built by Alvan Clark & Sons, which has been in use at Flagstaff eighteen months.

Professor See has found his station a favorable one for observations, and says the Arizona atmosphere is clearer and purer than that at any other astronomical station in this country. He and his assistant have come here to publish a report of their work.

Since August eighteen hundred and ninety six, Dr. See has discovered about five hundred new double stars and his measured about seven hundred objects noted by previous observers. Many of the stellar system discovered are large and brilliant, and thus have the highest interest. He says that within the last year the Lowell observers have examined no less than fifty thousand stars. They have swept over 1,200 systems.

Some of the new stars are close together and are barely separated in the great lens. The discovery of the five hundred new double stars is accounted one of the most important contributions to astronomy since the survey of Sir John Herschel sixty years ago. One of the stars has been found to revolve once in five years and another sixteen years.

**A White Coon.**  
Luray, Va., Nov. 29.—William Brubaker, a successful hunter caught what is certainly a strange freak in the wild animal record in this county. Among three coons caught one is white: a well-grown one, and lacking all the well-known marks of the coon tribe, not having a stripe of any kind about it, even on its tail. This is the first white coon ever seen or heard of in this county.

**WASHINGTON LETTER.**

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C. Nov. 29.—While it may be true that the administration desires peace and expects peace with Spain and all the rest of the world, it has been doing a number of things of late which indicate both the desire and the intention to be prepared for war in case it should come. One of these things was the placing of a contract for war material, in the shape of the latest improved armor-piercing ammunition, and light calibre guns, such as can be used with advantage upon auxiliary cruisers. This contract, which is the largest placed by the Government since the close of the civil war, was marked 'urgent' and the delivery of the material will be rushed. When this contract, and others which preceded it, have all been filled, every gun in the U. S. Navy will have about five hundred rounds of ammunition of the very highest grade, which naval officers say is more than any Navy in Europe has, and will be prepared for any emergency.

If the radical opponent of the civil service law in Congress can be induced to stop their agitation for the repeal of the entire law, and to unite with those who believe that the law is all right, it is restricted to covering only those positions which are purely clerical, there is very little doubt that they could win their fight, notwithstanding the opposition of President McKinley to any change. They will be given the opportunity when the committee now investigating the subject, shall present its report to the Senate, which Senator Pritchard, Chairman of the Committee, says will be done in January. It is almost certain—Senator Pritchard thinks certain—that the report of the Committee will be in favor of exempting all executive positions from the operation of the civil service law and rules. Many votes can be obtained for a bill providing for this change that could not be had for repealing the whole law.

Talk among Southern Senators and Representatives indicates that if the Gage proposition to allow National Banks to issue notes to the par value of the bonds they have deposited with the U. S., to reduce the taxation on national bank notes to the actual cost of government supervision, and to permit the establishment of national banks with a capital of \$25,000 in towns of less than 4,000 inhabitants, be incorporated in a bill by themselves, that the bill will have a good chance to become a law. While a number of Southern Senators might be willing to vote for this bill because they believe it would result in benefiting their section by increasing its banking facilities and making money easier, it is doubtful if a single one of them would support the bill if any of the other financial recommendations of Secretary Gage are included. Quite a number of influential republicans in both branches of Congress have privately expressed themselves in favor of not attempting anything further in the way of financial legislation than the above amendments to the National banking laws.

**Democratic Caucus.**

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—The democratic members of the two houses of the Legislature tonight nominated their respective officers, who will be elected tomorrow. In the Senate caucus, Mr. H. T. Wickham, of Hanover, was chosen for president pro tem, without opposition and Mr. Joseph Patton, of Appomattox, for secretary. T. B. Watkins was made sergeant-at-arms, and W. C. Mann doorkeeper.

In the House caucus Mr. John F. Ryan, of Loudoun, was recommended for Speaker and chosen by acclamation. John Bell Biggar was made clerk; William Johnson, of Buckbridge, sergeant-at-arms; A. O. Sullivan, of Montgomery was elected first doorkeeper, and Mr. Lipscomb, of King and Queen, second doorkeeper.

In the Senate caucus, Mr. Keezle of Rockingham offered a resolution which, after a considerable discussion, was defeated to name a committee of ten or recommend to the Lieutenant Governor the composition of the standing committees.

In the House caucus this resolution presented by Mr. Featherstone of Campbell, was adopted.

"Whereas it is the sense of this caucus that the expense of administering the State government should be reduced in every possible way that is consistent with the proper conduct of public affairs, therefore be it

Resolved, That in nominating such officers as are necessary for the organization of the House of Delegates in accordance with the law, the members of this caucus in no way commit themselves as being in favor of the salaries now paid, should it hereafter appear that such salaries should be reduced."

**Bitterly Cold In the Northwest.**  
St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 29.—Intensely cold weather continued today throughout the Northwest. Eight degrees below zero was recorded in this city at 1 o'clock this morning. At the same hour Bismark, N. D., reported 10 below, Winnipeg, Manitoba, 14 below, and Miles City, Mont., 18 below.

**CALVARY NEWS.**

We will send you a few items as we have not seen anything from here for awhile.

People are generally well in this vicinity.

Most of our people have butchered their hog and chickens were thought to be in the neighborhood.

Our public school is moving along nicely under the efficient teaching of Mr. David Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lineweaver, who were visiting relatives and friends in this section for several weeks, have returned to their home in Manassas.

Miss Lulu and Viola Burden spent a week or so with their parents at this place.

Mr. Warren Hamrick and sister, Miss Minnie, of River Bend, were in this neighborhood the first of the week.

Miss Ollie Sheetz, of Calvary, is visiting friends near New Market, she having gone with her friend, Miss Dora McNeal, who spent a few weeks here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Walters, of Powell's Fort, attended the funeral of the former's aunt, Mrs. Wilkins, at Patmos church, Monday.

Mr. Willie Sherman and Miss Esther Smoot, of St. Luke, were at Mr. Burner's Sunday.

Mr. Ann Lambert has been complaining for several weeks.

Messrs. Frank and Bender Seibert, and David Sheetz, who have been in Ohio for some time, have returned to their homes near here. We are glad to see them home again.

Mr. Amanda Burner had a new roof put on her barn last week.

Mr. Samuel Hovey, Jr., and family expect to move near Harper's Ferry this week.

The Calvary Cornet Band is getting along first class. Quite a crowd of ladies went out to hear them Friday night and the boys entertained them right royally.

One of the members of the band was sick next morning—the fellow that beats the bass drum, and that's Charlie Russell, you know. Just ask him the reason.

The Band expects to have an oyster supper Saturday night, Dec. 11th, at their band room at Calvary. Oysters will be served any way you like them and in the best style. Plenty of music will be furnished by the Band.

Ann Sheetz is wearing a 16 1/2 size, all because a little lady came to visit at their home last week. And Arthur Burner Whew! It behooves everybody to give him the road. It's a boy.

Good Bye.

**CASTORIA.**  
The little that makes the big difference.

**St. Luke News.**  
The sick are rapidly improving.

Mr. Isaac Wilkins, after a short spell of sickness, was paralyzed last Friday evening and died Saturday evening. She was buried by Rev. Carpenter at Patmos Church grave yard, last Monday at 10 o'clock.

She was the mother of Mr. Robt. Wilkins and of Mrs. Fannie A. Hovey, who so soon followed her mother to the other world.

The Sunday School children of St. Luke, will give a carol on Christmas eve. Should the weather be inclement, it will be postponed to the next party night.

Mr. Wm. H. Roney killed last Monday a hog fifteen months old that weighed 319 lbs.

Mr. Geo. H. Coffman is rejoicing over the advent of a pretty little girl to his home.

**No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.**  
Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. See all drug stores.

**Editor of Shenandoah Herald.**  
I enclose you five questions which if you have space in your interesting paper, will you kindly insert, with the privilege to any one who believes in the free and unlimited exchange of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 to answer. Without a definite understanding as to these primary questions it seems to me to be impossible to have a clear comprehension of the matter. I make the country with a view to getting a correct understanding of what our friends who advocate the coinage of silver, under the Chicago platform ratio mean. I simply want answers and do not propose getting into a controversy on the subject and ask these questions in good faith. I shall deem it a favor to have them answered satisfactorily.

Yours Very Truly,  
D. C. O'Flaherty.

**Thanksgiving.**  
Thanksgiving services were held in the Methodist church on Thanksgiving day. Rev. H. H. Kennedy preached the sermon and was assisted by all the resident pastors except Dr. Stephenson who was conducting services in New Market.

**A Flag of Warning.**  
Beware of the dry, tickling, hacking, morning cough, for it warns you that consumption lurks near. The famous Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure it. "I had a very bad cough. One doctor pronounced it consumption. I used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and was completely cured; the cough left me and has never come back. Simon Smasal, 375 31st Street, Chicago, Ill."

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Ask for Bull's, take only Bull's.

**JUSTICE.**

EDITOR SHEN. HERALD.

Dear Sir:—If convenient please give me space in the columns of the Shenandoah Herald for a tribute to Mr. J. W. Santimier, who has recently been visited by a cyclone of untarnished and misleading impressions intended by his enemies to down him without regard to the facts. The writer was born and raised near Shenandoah, Warren county, Va., and was well acquainted with David Santimier who lived 81st near Brown's cross, near the site of his home, and when his son was about six years of age he moved near Milford just over the line in Page county, on one of the finest river farms in that section, belonging to Israel Burner father of Mrs. J. W. Santimier, and remained there for 13 years, thirty years, six miles from my home. Old Mrs. Santimier was a Miss Atwood, I was well acquainted with all those people. They were sober, honest, industrious, good citizens, noted for their integrity and were respected by all classes of people, and for a clean record they were an excellent example to the rest of a large family connection. It is unnecessary for me to tell you, Mr. Editor, that J. W. Santimier stands today in this good county of Shenandoah where he has lived and labored not only for himself, but for the upbuilding of his county, the peer of any man who has had to do with its financial engineering for the past sixteen years. We are not doing and in good business shape as well as working time. He started poor, he has built his own fortune, and my knowledge of him afforded by my business relations as superintendent of the Alms House, warrants the fact that in my humble opinion, that he is all right, and I simply ask as a friend to justify him, our people will hear both sides before rendering their verdict. It is only fair play.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. D. FUNKHouser.

**KIBBERTOWN ITEMS.**

Here we are again with our news for the columns of the Herald and its many readers.

Most all our farmers are through gathering corn in this section.

Mr. D. H. Walters and wife, of Powell's Fort were visiting in our neighborhood Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Sarah A. Swartz, of Albionville, was visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Kibler, recently.

Misses Mollie and Lena Lantz, of Lantz's Mill, spent Sunday with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kibler. They were accompanied by Miss Maggie Chittenden.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Mr. Frank Royer.

The famous Sunday school are practicing their Christmas services.

Miss Minnie Farr, who has gone to Powell's Fort to teach a music class will be absent several weeks.

Mr. George Coffman of near Strasburg, has moved his family to our place again after an absence of about nine months from here. We are glad to have them back again and hope they have come to stay this time.

Miss Jennie Hoover, of near Strasburg, is visiting the family of Mr. Geo. Coffman.

Mr. J. L. Lineweaver and wife of Manassas, were visiting several days here last week.

The hog cholera returned being a thing of the past through this section.

We haven't seen any of Mr. McKinley's property around here yet. Suppose he has forgotten it.

Mr. Fritz and Miss Pearl Myers, of Hanover, were at Patmos church Sunday. They were visitors at Mr. Emmert's at Calvary.

Mr. Leah Wilkins was buried in the Patmos burial ground, Monday, 11 months and 17 days. Her funeral was preached by her pastor, Rev. M. L. Carpenter, of the Lutheran church.

Mr. K. Ray must have had reason for his breakfast on Monday morning of last week.

If we have a pretty good time during the holidays we will let you all hear from us again. No and So.

**Something to Know.**

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for treating the most serious cases of this disease is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nervous system in the stomach and stimulates the liver and kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off its impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best and most powerful and sure cure. Try it. Sold for 50c or \$1.00 per bottle at Dr. Schmidt's Drug Store.

**ST. DAVID'S NEWS.**

Mr. Noah Nicholas made a four days trip to Tom's Brook last week. Fast wagon.

Mr. Paul Rinker made a flying trip down the Fort the first of this week.

Our lost hound of each week is bothered very much with some one or girls. If Mr. Phil could know how the girl enjoys his company he would not wonder why he gets in so late every Saturday evening.

Mr. Paul Rinker is some what complaining at this time.

Messrs. Amos and John Habron made a trip to the Brook and back with their team one day last week, the distance being about forty miles. Who can come up to this? (The Wolf, I reckon.)

Miss Minnie Farr, of near Calvary, is giving music lessons in this neighborhood. Miss Minnie is a very charming young lady.

Our Fort people ought to feel very proud that they can cross the river dry and going to Ellington. Mr. J. W. Santimier should never be forgotten for this great benefit he has conferred upon our people, especially in the land he gave out charge, and credit is also due Mr. Dan. Hoist for making such a good, dry road. It beats the old road all to pieces.

Martie Carpenter, son of R. V. M. L. Carpenter, of Patmos, who had been out getting a cow, had a fall, and some time, has gone home to attend school. Tobie Clem, of D. Duck 1 is in his place.

Mr. G. R. Goldsby had a horse trace in Edinburg road Saturday.

Mr. Robert Walter, our mail carrier, lost the lock of the mail sack early last week, and went 5 or 6 miles before he found it.

**A Remarkable Find.**

Among the oldest houses in this vicinity is that on the "Jacob Houser farm," near Riverton. Just at this time the property is rented by Mr. "Billy" Shenk, who related to us the following remarkable find: The well, which in the memory of the oldest citizens had never gone dry, failed during the long dry spell, and in hope of increasing the water supply Mr. Shenk concluded to clean it out. Twenty-five different pieces of iron, used as bucket slakers were found. This in itself would take us back a long time, as a bucket attached to a bucket might have stayed on for a great many years. Two feet of hard, packed sand was then removed, and beneath this was two pounds of butter, neatly wrapped in a butter cloth, and between two plates. These plates were of the old blue-edge style so much in vogue thirty to fifty years ago, and the butter, which no doubt tilted out of the bucket when let down in the well to keep, may have been there for that length of time, or longer. Mr. Shenk informs us that although the butter had lost its smell, it was in an excellent state of preservation and perfectly sweet and good.—Warren Register.

**Estimate Four Bowels With Cascares.**  
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. No. 28. H. C. C. Co. full directions refund money.

**A Strong Fortification.**

Fortify the body against disease by Tutt's Liver Pills, an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, jaundice, biliousness and all kindred troubles.

**"The Fly-Wheel of Life"**

Dr. Tutt's Your Liver Pills are the fly-wheel of life. I shall ever be grateful for the accident that brought them to my notice. I feel as if I had a new lease of life.

J. Fairleigh, Platte Canon, Col.  
**Tutt's Liver Pills**

**The Confectionery**

that we keep is the kind that people want for special occasions, when there is an earnest desire to please somebody.

We buy our confectionery with this in mind. Our mixed candy in dainty boxes will please you. It isn't a mixture of goodness and bad, but a mixture of the best of several kinds.

30 to 50 cents per lb box.

Our stock of new-crop raisins, currants, and citron is now in. We have coconuts fresh, and every one insured sound. Our apples are unexcelled and our flavoring essences and extracts are made in our own laboratory, the best recommendation we can give them.

**B. SCHMITT,**  
Druggist,  
Woodstock, Va.

**Public Sale**

—of a fine bred—  
**PERCHERON STALLION.**  
WOODSTOCK, VA.,  
Monday December, 13th, '97.

The undersigned elected by the stockholders of the Mr. Jackson Percheron Horse Company, for the purpose of making sale of their valuable Percheron Horse, Nineteen, will proceed to sell for cash, at the above place and time, their valuable

**French Imported Stallion.**

He is a dark Iron Gray, some 14½ hands high, 10 years old, perfectly sound in every respect, and a sure foal getter. Any one desiring a valuable pure bred Percheron Stallion, should not fail to attend their sale. His pedigree will be on exhibition on day of sale.

Sale to commence promptly at 11 o'clock, a.m.

**R. C. BAUSERMAN**,  
of Mr. Jackson Percheron Horse Co.  
dec. 3-2t.

**SALE OF VALUABLE Real Estate.**

At the request of the heirs of J. M. Bushong dead, the undersigned will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the real estate devised by said Bushong in 8 of his children and heirs on Wednesday December, 29th, 1897, on the premises about 1 mile west of Manntown, Va.

This is a very desirable farm of 140 acres and well located, being about 1 mile from the Valley Turnpike on a good road, about 1½ mile from depot, with churches and school house convenient. The land is of good quality, well fenced and lies well to the sun. There is between 40 and 50 acres of the timber, making this one of the most desirable farms in the neighborhood. There are no buildings on the farm.

It will be offered in whole and in parts to suit purchasers.

**TERMS:**  
1 cash and 1/2 in 1, 2, 3 and 4 years with interest from day of sale and 1/2 reserved on the land and secured by deed of trust.

Sale at 11 o'clock.  
**P. W. MAGRUDER.**  
dec. 3-1d.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**

Taken up by the subscriber on his place, two ranges of the following description, one black, one white and one spotted, of black color, and weighs about 200 pounds, no mark or brand; the other is about seven months old, of black color, with white on the face. The said hogs were appraised 12/35 00.

The owner will come forward, prove property and pay charges, otherwise they will be disposed of as the law directs.

**C. W. SNABER,**  
Harrisville, Va.  
dec. 3-3t.

**SUNLIGHT.**  
**GOOD NEWS.**

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**Horsey and Atwell**

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Nothing is placed in our stock but what we know to be good and when you spend a dollar with them you get one hundred cents in return.

They are no Jews but do a one price business, their lovely line of fall and winter suits and Over Coats are on hand and ready for inspection.

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**Horsey and Atwell,**  
Woodstock, Va., and Winchester, Va.

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**ROLL OF HONOR.**

For Morning View School No. 19, 1st month. The following are the names of those who deserve special mention:

For Diligence—Thomas Feltz, Maggie F. Bowers, Viola C. Dellinger, Cornelia E. Feltz, Cora Hansberger, Cornelia F. and Annie M. Nesselrodt.

Regular Attendance—Amos W. Barb, Charles T. Barb, Clarence V. and Charles C. Dellinger, Martin L. Dellinger, James A. Dellinger, John O. Dellinger, James L. Hansberger, Charles R. Hansberger, Maggie F. Bowers, Bertie E. Dellinger, Cora Hansberger, and Annie M. Nesselrodt.

Department—Thomas Feltz, Maggie F. Bowers, Bertie E. Dellinger, Viola C. Dellinger, Cornelia E. Feltz, Cora Hansberger, Cornelia F. Nesselrodt, Rachel J. Nesselrodt and Annie M. Nesselrodt. S. S. Dellinger, Teacher.

**CALVARY SCHOOL.**  
The following pupils deserve mention for regularity of attendance, scholarship and property of deportment, during the first school month ending Nov. 29th, 1897.

Attendance—Messrs. Trussell and Dennis Kibler, Luther Lineweaver, Clarence Sheetz, and Edgar Kibler. Misses, Clara and Adia Sheetz and Rose Peters.

Scholarship and Property of Deportment—Messrs. Trussell Kibler, Charles Carrier, Rufus Lamberson, Clarence Sheetz, and Luther Lineweaver, and Misses, Mamie Seibert, Bertie Emmerville, Maggie and Florence Sheetz, Mamie Russell, Ruth Hoover and Adia Sheetz. D. J. Reynolds, Teacher.

**Ladies and Gentlemen's Shoes.**

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**READYMADE CLOTHING,**

for gentlemen and boys and children. Men's suits \$3.75 up. Boys' \$3 to \$5.00. Children's \$1.00 to \$4.00. These suits are from \$1.00 to \$2.00 less than last season. Overcoats to fit anybody, boy or man, at the lowest price. A Beautiful Line of SHIRTS and Ties of all kinds.

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**ESTRAY HEIFER.**

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**Farmers,**